

SMITH AND G. O. P. AGREE TO TRUCE ON LEGISLATION

Governor and Republican Leaders to Confer on Programme To-day.

DUFFEY IS FIRST VICTIM

Bitterness Between Parties to End and Both Sides Will Get Something.

Special Despatch to The Sun. ALBANY, Feb. 24.—Instead of a bitter fight between a Republican Legislature and a Democratic Governor, which was looked for when Gov. Alfred E. Smith assumed office, it seems very likely now that things political in Albany hereafter will be rather serene and peaceful.

Neither the Republican majority nor Gov. Smith appears to have been very eager for a fight, and now, that the Republicans have met the Governor half way by confirming many of his appointments the Governor seems to have expressed his willingness to sign a peace that will enable both parties to have fingers in the various pies without anybody getting all the plums.

What might be termed the peace preliminaries will be gone over to-morrow afternoon, when the Governor will consult with Senator J. Henry Walters, Republican leader of the Senate, and Speaker Thaddeus C. Sweet of the Assembly to map out a programme for the big legislation to be considered before the Legislature adjourns in April.

Everybody to Get Something.

It is believed that public service legislation, social reform legislation such as minimum wage and health insurance and other important measures are to be handed over at the conference and a decision reached as to just what the Legislature is to pass up to the Governor. It is very likely that when the conference is ended the political situation will have been adjusted on a basis satisfactory to both the Governor and the Republican majority—and everybody will get something.

To-night it seems very probable that Highway Commissioner Edwin Duffey of Cortland, a Republican, will be the first victim of the new arrangement. He is known to be slated for removal, because his term actually expired April 29, 1918, and the Democratic Legislature, in control of his department, with its patronage and contracts this year alone totalling more than \$23,000,000. It is also known that Gov. Smith intends to have this department as one of the Democratic plums, and while the Republicans could unite and save Mr. Duffey they seem more inclined to permit the Governor to name a Highway Commissioner and will very likely confirm him, letting the present official out. In return for this the Republicans probably will be able to pass legislation that they want and get signed by the Governor.

Failed to Reappoint Duffey.

Commissioner Duffey has not been popular with the Republicans since his appointment by Gov. Charles S. Whitman. His confirmation was procured only after a long fight in the Senate, and a motion picture of his administration that Gov. Whitman had purposely failed to rededicate Commissioner Duffey at the last session of the Legislature in order to postpone another fight until after the November election.

Mr. Duffey himself is said to have told friends that there will be no trouble about relinquishing his office, for while he rather likes his job he is distinguished to fight for it. At the same time he would have fought his removal under charge, as he feels that his administration has been clean and efficient.

MORE DIOCESES PROPOSED.

Episcopal Committee Recommends Three New Ones.

Special Despatch to The Sun. ALBANY, Feb. 24.—The Episcopal Church committee appointed to investigate the redistricting of the New York diocese has reported a plan to establish eight new dioceses of five, leaving the dioceses of New York and Long Island as now constituted. The committee which worked out the plan in conference with the Bishops-elect of the Rev. Dr. R. W. R. Taylor of Suffern, the Rev. Theodore J. Davies of Binghamton and the Rev. George Zabriskie, Chancellor of the New York diocese.

The redistricting, if ratified by the diocesan convention, will be submitted to the general convention, to be held in Detroit in October.

MASONS TO USE ENGLISH ONLY.

Foreign Languages in Rituals Forbidden in State.

Special Despatch to The Sun. ALBANY, Feb. 24.—W. S. Farmer, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, F. and A. M., State of New York, has issued an edict prohibiting the use of any language except English in the exemplification of the work of the order and the keeping of records, effective July 1.

The order is mandatory and cannot be appealed from. It affects forty-eight lodges. Thirty-three of these now use German, four French and eleven Italian. A number of these lodges are located in New York. The order was decided upon after discussion proposing only the abolition of German, and was issued in the interest of true Americanization, according to the Grand Master.

EX-ARMY CAPTAIN ON TRIAL.

Confessed Giver of Bribe Says Upton Privates Have Motor Cars.

Sidney P. Corn, formerly a Captain attached to the army personnel office at Camp Upton, was placed on trial for bribery yesterday before Judge Chaffee and a jury in the Federal Court, Brooklyn. He is accused of having accepted \$10,000 from Sergeant Lloyd Melhig to expedite his discharge from the army. It is also alleged that Corn afterward entered the jewelry store of Melhig's father and demanded a valuable sapphire bracelet. According to Melhig, the money was paid while driving from New York to Camp Upton in the Melhig's automobile. Melhig was it that you were allowed to keep an automobile at Camp Upton for your personal use," asked Judge Chaffee.

Melhig answered it was "by no means unusual" for non-commissioned officers and privates to have their own motor cars in the camp.

GOV. SMITH VISITS ASSEMBLY HAUNTS

Hobnob With Sweet and Greets Other Legislators.

Special Despatch to The Sun. ALBANY, Feb. 24.—All sorts of precedents were shattered to-day when Gov. Smith visited the legislative rooms on the third floor of the Capitol, where he was quite at home in the days when he was only an Assemblyman. He is the first Governor to roam about the Capitol since the days of Gov. Sulzer, who was always wandering over the place.

Gov. Smith called on Speaker Thaddeus Sweet of the Assembly, and for half an hour the two had an old-fashioned political chin-chin, while many anxious politicians wondered what the Governor was cooking up in the way of politics. Then the Governor wandered into the rooms where the Budget Committee was working, watched for a bit, and then strolled through the library, the Senate Finance Committee rooms and other committee headquarters. He said he greatly enjoyed the hour and a half he was away from the Executive Chamber.

Just as he was going into the budget committee chamber to-day when Senator Henry M. Sage and Assemblyman Y. H. Macphail, and listening politicians heard him say:

"How do you, boys?"

Members of the Legislature who are thoroughly familiar with the situation, however, said they did not believe the remark had any political significance.

CAMPBELL TO ENTER SPEAKERSHIP RACE

Kansan Expected to Announce Candidacy To-day, Says Late Report.

Special Despatch to The Sun. WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—An unconfirmed rumor from an authoritative source late to-night was to the effect that Representative Phil Campbell (Kan.) to-morrow would announce his candidacy for Speakership of the Sixty-sixth Congress. If this report is confirmed it probably will mean the crumbling of Mr. Mann's candidacy with his possible withdrawal.

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Longworth Aligned With Wets.

Mr. Longworth as a member of the Hamilton county (Ohio) political organization is prominently aligned with the element, the Hamilton county machine in the November elections, and defeated the Republican State ticket, which was headed by Gov. Willis, a dry candidate.

The presentation of two slates for membership on the Committee on Committees at the Republican conference next Thursday seemed assured to-day despite efforts of the managers for Representative Gillett (Mass.) and Mann (Ill.) to agree upon a slate. The Committee on Committees will prepare for presentation to the Republican conference at a later meeting a complete slate for Republican chairmen and members of the standing committees of the House.

Deny Anti-Dunn Move.

In the race of what seemed to be real progress toward a harmonious organization of the House the New York delegation was disturbed to-day by an intimation from the Gillett camp that the latter would not feel constrained to accept New York's choice from the Representatives of that State on the Committee on Committees.

As indicated in The Sun this morning, some members of the delegation are seeking to displace Representative Dunn, who was the unanimous choice of the delegation, on the ground that he is a Mann supporter.

While these members to-day denied any conspiracy in such a move, Mr. Dunn's friends announced that any attempt on the part of the Gillett forces to ignore New York's endorsement in this respect would be regarded as an unwarranted interference in the affairs of the New York delegation. Around this question revolves the first inharmonious note recently struck in the delegation.

It is understood that Dunn's position is that the same vote which endorsed him will have to displace him unless Mr. Gillett's managers wish to interfere.

While the Republicans of the House generally—and this includes a number of staunch Mann supporters—concede the election of Gillett, Representative Madison (Ill.), managing Mr. Mann's campaign, persisted to-day in the position that his candidate had enough votes pledged to insure his election on the first ballot.

"Mr. Gillett's friends are claiming 140 votes," he said. "Mr. Mann has 130 votes pledged. There will be only 243 Republican votes in the next House if all members are present and voting. Some one has lied. We expect to find who it was when the roll is called, as it will be next Thursday night."

ALBANY GREETED FR. KELLY.

Chaplain of 27th Division Gets A Warm Welcome.

Special Despatch to The Sun. ALBANY, Feb. 24.—Albany stayed away from its dinner table to-night to extend a real welcome to the Rev. Francis A. Kelly, chaplain of the Twenty-seventh Division, who came up from New York city this evening. Hundreds greeted the priest at the railroad station, among them being Gov. Smith, former Gov. Glynn, Mayor Watt, Henry M. Sage, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee; Patrick E. McCabe, Democratic leader of Albany, and Brother Augustus, director of the Christian Brothers' Academy.

In the crowd that greeted the young priest were hundreds of his parishioners from the Church of the Blessed Sacrament. Father Kelly told a glowing story of the Twenty-seventh's heroic service when he spoke to-night at the dinner of the alumni association of the academy. Before the dinner he was the guest of honor at a reception in the Hotel Ten Eyck. Former Governor Glynn was hostmaster at the dinner, at which John W. Hogan, Judge of the Court of Appeals; Mayor Watt and Francis E. Culver of Watervliet also spoke.

Father Kelly will return to New York to-morrow to conduct funeral services for Corporal J. Oakley Morey of Brooklyn, who returned from France with Father Kelly and who died of pneumonia Sunday.

Uruguay Army Gets Strike Orders.

Montevideo, Uruguay, Feb. 24.—The Government has given strict orders to the army and the police in the event of a general strike, according to La Tribuna. Professional agitators continue their efforts to bring about a strike.

WAR ON WADSWORTH DECLARED BY DRYS

W. H. Anderson Says Anti-Saloon League Will Fight His Renomination.

Special Despatch to The Sun. ALBANY, Feb. 24.—Open warfare on United States Senator Wadsworth was declared to-night by William H. Anderson, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, who announced that the drys would use all their resources to defeat him if he enters the Republican primaries for renomination next year.

The current number of the American Issue, the organ of the Anti-Saloon League, which was distributed to-night, contains a vitriolic description of the Albany county Republican dinner on Lincoln's Birthday, which was supposed to have been staged by William Barnes as the opening effort to bring about the renomination and reelection of Senator Wadsworth, who was one of the speakers.

The account, said to have been written by an "eye witness," declared that booze flowed as freely as water and that it was hard for Senator Henry M. Sage, the toastmaster, to maintain sufficient order for the speakers to be heard. To the overabundance of liquor is attributed the fact that Mr. Barnes himself at the end of the programme refrained from delivering his prepared speech and told the guests that they could find it printed in the papers the next day.

Minority Leader Charles D. Donohue of the Assembly and Assemblyman Clarence P. Welsh of Albany, one of the "wet" leaders, to-night declared that there would be sufficient votes to pass the 10 per cent. alcoholic bill, which has been introduced, notwithstanding probable action by Congress on a bill permitting sale of drinks with but one-half of 1 per cent. of alcohol.

If the Judiciary Committee will not report the bill, according to Mr. Welsh, there will be votes enough to take it from the committee.

The annual convention of the New York State Anti-Saloon League will open in the First Reformed Church to-morrow.

THANKS CHURCH COMMISSION.

Wilson Replies to Message of Welcome Back to America.

The General War Time Commission of Churches received a reply yesterday to a wireless message sent on Friday to President Wilson on board the transport George Washington welcoming him home and expressing hope for the success of his endeavor to procure world peace through a League of Nations. The reply, which was addressed to Robert E. Speer, the chairman, was given out at the offices of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America at 163 East Twenty-second street. It said:

"The message just received from the General War Time Commission of Churches has given me the greatest pleasure and encouragement, and I beg that you will express my warmest thanks and gratitude for it."

SEES MENACE TO SENATORS.

Owen Says Chamber's Impure Air Impairs Their Health.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Appealing to-day for steps to purify the atmosphere in the Senate Chamber, Senator Owen (Okla.) said he believed the poor ventilating system had contributed greatly to the mortality among members of the Senate. He pointed out in eleven years thirty-six members had died in office, while twenty-three others had died after retiring, and declared his belief that their health had been impaired by impure air in the Senate.

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WILLIAMS WINS BY 9 TO 4 IN COMMITTEE

Confirmation Fight Will Now Go to Senate Floor.

Special Despatch to The Sun. WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Drawing tight the party line, the Banking and Currency Committee voted to-day to report favorably to the Senate the nomination of John Skelton Williams of Virginia to be Comptroller of the Currency for the ensuing five year term. The decision followed closely upon the protracted hearings before the committee, at which Senator Weeks (Mass.) directed the opposition to the Comptroller and before which William H. Cooper, president of the Union Savings Bank of Washington, earnestly pleaded with the committee to defeat Mr. Williams on the ground of his prejudicial and unfriendly attitude toward certain bankers.

Sensor Weeks argued that the Comptroller's temperament unfit him to act with fairness, equity and justice in the important decisions of his office.

The votes against a favorable report were cast by Senators McLean (Conn.), Grona (N. D.), Norris (Neb.) and Frelinghuysen (N. J.), all Republicans. The nine Democrats of the committee voted solidly in favor of Mr. Williams.

This action carries the question of confirmation squarely before the Senate, where a bitter fight is impended.

WAR CEMETERY BILL PASSED.

Land to Be Acquired in France for United States Dead.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—A bill by Senator Spencer (Mo.) authorizing the Secretary of War to acquire land in France for burial of Americans who lost their lives in the war was passed to-day by the Senate and sent to the House. The French Government has offered to provide the site, which will be known as "the American field of honor."

Expenditure of an amount not to exceed half a million dollars for acquisition of the land and creation of a permanent board of administration, consisting of three Senators and three Representatives, is authorized under the bill.

ARMY OF 538,498 PLANNED.

Temporary Organization Provided by Senate Sub-committee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Provisions for a temporary army of 538,493 officers and men after next July 1, as recommended by the War Department, were inserted to-day in the \$1,000,000,000 army appropriation measure by a Senate Military sub-committee. These provisions were eliminated in the House, which approved an army of only 175,000 men, the maximum fixed in the national defense act of 1916.

The sub-committee also agreed to-day upon pay for enlisted men on the same basis as the war army, and to report the bill to-morrow to the full committee.

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STATE'S GREETERS TO PAY OWN WAY

Senate Adopts Resolution Providing Official Welcome for Soldiers.

Special Despatch to The Sun. ALBANY, Feb. 24.—The Senate passed to-night the Adler resolution, already passed by the Assembly, providing for an official State committee to greet the returning heroes of the Twenty-seventh Division, formerly the New York National Guard. The resolution provides that those who go must pay their own way.

Those named by the resolution to comprise the official committee of welcome are the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, President pro tem of the Senate, Speaker of the Assembly, the elected State Officials, Judges of the Court of Appeals, regents of the University of the State of New York and members of the Senate and Assembly, about 250 in all.

The Senate passed and the Assembly passed, under emergency measures from Gov. Smith, the bills appropriating \$15,000 to permit the Agricultural Department to start war on the European corn borer that endangers New York's great corn crop. Due to a misunderstanding, each house passed its own bill instead of putting the same bill through both houses, so the work must be done all over again to-morrow.

In the Senate the passage of the corn borer bill was prefaced with a little political debate, in which the Republicans accused the Governor of trying to get the backing of farmers by showing he was their friend in hastening the passage of the legislation. Democratic Leader Foley said the fact was that the Governor was showing how broad minded he was, while the Republicans are proving themselves narrow by refusing to pass the bills appropriating \$60,000 for Gov. Smith's reconstruction commission which he said would "make over" men.

"It is designed to make over Abram Elkus so he can be United States Senator," declared Senator Thompson of Niagara.

A resolution calling upon Congress to convert past issue of Liberty bonds into currency was introduced to-night by Assemblyman H. Elliott Burston of New York. Majority Leader Simon L. Adler moved to debate it, and under the rules it was laid over for one week.

Assemblyman John G. Downes of Suffolk offered a resolution to ask Congress to abolish daylight saving, and this also was put on the table for a week.

Assemblyman Frank Dobson of Monroe moved to call upon the United States Government to set aside from its \$200,000,000 Federal aid road fund money to help build the Roosevelt Highway running from New York city parallel to the Hudson, the Harge Canal, the New York Central and Michigan Central railroads to the Pennsylvania State line. This was sent to the Ways and Means Committee.

Assemblyman Peter J. Hamill of New York offered a resolution for the appointment of a joint legislative committee to investigate cost of milk which was referred to the Ways and Means Committee. It would appropriate \$10,000 and require a report by March 15, 1920.

1 SHOT, MANY HURT, IN PASSAIC STRIKE RIOT

Women Pickets Start Trouble—Policeman Arrested.

The most serious disorders in the three weeks' strike of 16,000 textile workers in Passaic, N. J., occurred yesterday, when one striker was shot in the foot by a special policeman, and a score of men and women were beaten by the rioters.

Owing to reports that the Botany Worsted Mills would reopen for anybody who wanted to work, about 2,000 strikers gathered at that plant yesterday morning, and stopped all office employees and others who are still working there. One of the office force was stopped by six women strikers. He called for help and Peter Pagan, a special policeman, responded. He was attacked by other strikers, and fired a shot from his revolver. The bullet hit John Pandey in the foot. Later Pagan was arrested on a charge of assault. He was released on \$500 bail.

Because of the shooting Chief of Police Gustave Schmidt issued an order that all special guards employed by the mills must remain behind the factory walls unless called on for aid by the city police. The Botany Mills will shut down entirely today, but Chief Schmidt said he would double his force there to prevent a repetition of yesterday's trouble.

265 GRIP CASES IN TWO DAYS.

Deaths Do Not Indicate Wane of Epidemic.

With the new influenza cases reported to the Health Department for Sunday and Monday aggregating but 265 for the two days, as against 115 cases reported Saturday, there is an apparent decline in the prevalence of the disease. And though this holds true also as regards the number of pneumonia cases reported, a combined total of 99 for Sunday and Monday as compared with 56 for Saturday, the smaller number of cases is more likely due to delay in reporting than to any actual decline in the epidemic.

Deaths resulting from both diseases indicate they are not as definitely on the wane as might be supposed from the lesser number of cases reported. Deaths Sunday from influenza were 44, against 32 Saturday, and 41 were recorded yesterday. Forty-three persons died from pneumonia Sunday, and 75 yesterday; Saturday's deaths were 51.

New cases reported in the five boroughs for the two days were:

	Influenza	Pneumonia
Manhattan	154	87
Brooklyn	85	27
Queens	12	5
Richmond	6	5
Suitland	9	0
Totals	265	99

Unions Protest Dry Law.

St. Louis, Feb. 24.—The St. Louis union labor bodies held a union mass meeting to-night to protest the prohibition law.

NEW JERSEY WETS' PLAN IS FRUSTRATED

Republicans Block Anti-ratification Plot in House at Trenton.

Special Despatch to The Sun. TRENTON, Feb. 24.—Plans of the Democratic members of the House to forestall favorable action by the Senate on the prohibition amendment by introducing and then defeating a resolution of ratification were frustrated to-night when the Republicans learned of the plan and called a hasty conference at which it was agreed to block the proposed action.

The Senate ratification resolution, offered by Senator Wells, is to be made the subject of a public hearing next Monday afternoon, when William J. Bryan will advocate it. The Democrats of the House planned to take the edge off the proposed demonstration by defeating ratification in advance.

Some of the Republicans attending one of the two Republican caucuses held to-night wanted to join with Democrats in forcing an immediate vote on ratification, but the caucus decided against them, although not attempting to make a party measure of the resolution.

The House passed unanimously a concurrent resolution asking Congress to authorize six months additional pay to every soldier or sailor, other than commissioned officers, who served in the war.

TWO GUNMEN KILLED IN DUEL.

Girl Vanishes From Dance After Affray in Brooklyn.

With but few minutes to live two gunmen lay side by side in St. Catherine's Hospital, Brooklyn, yesterday morning and promised each other that they would not tell the police the cause of their duel. They kept the promise and died. They were Anthony de Andrea of 134 Broadway and Anthony Napolitano of 211 North Sixth street. Earlier in the morning Napolitano had made a dramatic entrance into a dance of North Side Italians at Empire Hall, Lorimer and Ten Eyck streets, and saw a girl named Cunningham dancing with de Andrea. Other dancers had hardly time to clear a way before two revolvers flashed, two shots rang out and the two men fell to the floor. The girl disappeared in the ensuing panic.

Though the police are still looking for the girl they are inclined to believe the shooting was the result of a feud of longstanding. De Andrea was awaiting trial in the Kings County Court for a violation of the Sullivan law.

4,000 Ask 40 Per Cent. Raise.

A strike for a 40 per cent. wage increase, involving 85 shoe factories employing more than 15,000 hands in the greater city, began yesterday, according to a statement by Raymond P. Morse, chairman of the Labor Board of the Shoe Manufacturers Board of Trade, 64 Flatbush avenue, Brooklyn. Mr. Morse said that less than 4,000 operatives belonged to the Goodyear Operators Protective Association, locals 1 and 2, which ordered the strike, but that there would be no work for the remaining hands in a few days if the strike continued. He said the unions had refused the manufacturers' offer to arbitrate.

Police Department Orders

TRANSFERS AND ASSIGNMENTS.

PATROLMEN.

To take effect 1 A. M. February 24: Alvin L. Hoeffler, 21st Prec. to 118th Prec.; Louis F. Moench, 112th Prec. to 116th Prec.

To take effect 12:01 A. M. February 21: From 11th National Defense (special war roll) to precincts indicated. Indefinite leave of absence are hereby granted to: J. J. Tappan, 24; Philip McDonald, 25; John H. Stemmermann, 24.

TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT.

INSPECTOR.

Thomas V. Ungerlin, 11th National Defense, in charge of office of the police reserve, in addition to his other duties, from 9 A. M. February 21, during absence of Inspector on sick report.

RESPENDED FROM DUTY WITHOUT PAY.

PATROLMAN.

John J. Mahoney, No. 7488, 1st Inspection Dist., to take effect 6:00 P. M. February 25.

DEATHS.

LEUTENANT.

John J. McDonald, Headquarters Div., died at 1041 P. M. February 22. Funeral from his late residence, 1125 Redgewick street, Bronx, at 10 A. M. February 24, thence to Church of Holy Spirit, University and Burnside avenues, Bronx.

RETIRED PATROLMAN.

Charles F. Golden, formerly 25th Prec., died February 21 in his residence, 1109 Findlay avenue, Bronx. Funeral from his late residence 11 A. M. February 25, thence to Church of Holy Spirit, University and Burnside avenues, Bronx.

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Shirts with Stiff Cuffs, \$1.75

\$5.00 Silk Shirts, \$3.49

Mack Trucks

OVERLAND TRANSIT

Last winter, during the period of heatless days, lightless nights, and freight blockades, a MACK truck broke all overland freight records between Akron and Boston.

Through deep snow—